

# **ANTIDEGRADATION IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURE ADVISORY WORKGROUP MEETING**

Missouri Department of Natural Resources  
Water Protection Program  
Lewis & Clark State Office Building  
Gasconade Camp Conference Room

**May 10, 2006**

1:30 PM – 4:30 PM

## ***AGENDA***

1.) Housekeeping – Donna Menown

2.) Technical Discussion - Phil Schroeder

Considering ....

- A. Mubarak's presentation at the April 12 meeting,
- B. EPA's guidance document, *Interim Economic Guidance – Workbook*, Ch. 5—  
*Antidegradation: Role of Economic Analysis*, (latter Web site sent in 3/27/06 e-mail from Donna),
- C. Arizona DEQ's Antideg Impl. Procedures- specifically on page 53, "5.3 Calculations to Determine Significance of Degradation" (sent Web site in a 3/7/06 e-mail: <http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/water/standards/index.html>; and provided hard copy of this page during the April 12 meeting.)

Discussion will include the following, and any other appropriate points:

- Can we agree on what triggers the need for a socio/economic analysis (i.e., what is a de minimis discharge)?
- When a socio/economic analysis provides justification for lowering existing water quality, what should be the process for determining the extent of lowering allowed? For example, should the procedure allow lowering only to the extent necessary to address the socio-economic need but not below water quality standards? If so, how would this evaluation be performed?
- How should the lowering of water quality (or the use of assimilative capacity) be verified and tracked for future reference?

3.) Next meeting's (Wednesday, June 21) topics.